



**OPI/MTEA - Montana Traffic Education Association
Spring Conference Schedule
April 26 – 28, 2009
Best Western Heritage Inn in Great Falls, Montana**

Sunday April 26, 2009

- 10:00 AM – Noon Registration in Convention Area - Lunch on Your Own
Parking Lot - Auto Display, Montana Motor Carriers,
and Direction Challenge: Giving and following directions
using golf carts, cones and blindfolds
- 12:00 – 1:30 PM **Opening and First General Session** International Rooms
Keynote - Under the Influence of Beers
Michael Beers, Youth Advocate, Missoula
- 1:30 – 1:45 PM Break
- 1:45 – 2:00 PM Conference Overview
- 2:00 – 3:30 PM **Second General Session** International Rooms
Crash Dynamics – Stephen Baiamonte, Montana Highway Patrol
- 3:30 – 3:45 PM Break
- 3:45 – 4:30 PM **Third General Session** International Rooms
Forming Law Enforcement Partnerships
Colonel Mike Tooley, Montana Highway Patrol
- 4:30 – 4:45 PM Break
- 4:45 – 5:30 PM **Fourth General Session** International Rooms
Put Distractions on Hold – Jessica Anderson, Mariah Gondeiro, Sam
Keaster; Teens from Belt DECA
- 6:00 PM Dinner
- 8:00 PM MTEA Dessert Social

Monday Morning April 27, 2009

- 6:45 – 7:50 AM Breakfast Buffet
Overview: National Standards for Driver Education - David Huff, OPI
- 8:00 – 8:40 AM **Fifth General Session** International Rooms
AAA Large Scale Evaluation of Driver Education – Larry Lonero, Northport
Associates; Dan Mayhew, Traffic Injury Research Foundation
- 8:40 – 8:50 AM Break
- 8:50 – 10:00 AM **Sixth General Session** International Rooms
**Updates on GDL: Graduated Driver License and CDTP: Cooperative Driver
Testing Program** – Kristine Thatcher Patrick and McJannet, Montana Motor
Vehicle Division, Department of Justice
- 10:00 – 10:15 AM Break
- 10:15 AM – 5:00 PM **CDTP Training** for Cooperative Driver Testing Program Room 201
- 10:15 – 11:05 AM **First Workshop Sessions** (Note: First and Second Sessions Repeat)
- 11:15 AM – 12:05 PM **Second Workshop Sessions**
- **Stepping Out of the Driver's Seat** – Perspective of Blind/Visually Impaired
Pedestrians; Monica Sayler and Carol Clayton-Bye, Montana School for the Deaf
and Blind Canadian Room
 - **Montana Operation Lifesaver** – Clark Wheeler, Whitefish Britain Room
 - **Let's Talk About Money**: Wages, program costs, user fees, life insurance –
Dan Purcell, Helena American Room
 - **Effects of AAA Large Scale Evaluation in Montana**
Larry Lonero and Dan Mayhew Montana/Alberta Room
 - **Motorcycle Safety** in Parking Lot – Riders need to wear above-the-ankle boots,
gloves, sunglasses, long pants and long sleeve jacket (weather permitting)
- 12:15 – 1:15 PM Annual Business Meeting Lunch

Monday Afternoon April 27, 2009

1:30 – 2:30 PM **Seventh General Session** International Rooms
Teen Driver Safety Research and Resources
Suzanne Hill, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP)

2:40 – 3:30 PM **Third Workshop Sessions** (Note: Third and Fourth Sessions Repeat)

3:40 – 4:30 PM **Fourth Workshop Sessions**

- Bike and Pedestrian Safety K-8 Curriculum Canadian Room
Roger and Sharon DiBrito, D and D Educational Programs, Florence, MT
- Effective Parent Nights – Alan Severeid, Townsend Britain Room
- The Heart of Your License – Living Legacy at LifeCenter Northwest –
Molly Schoeb American Room
- Computer Testing in Driver Education
Charlie Brown, Fairfield Upstairs in Lewis/Clark Room
- Motorcycle Safety in Parking Lot – Riders need to wear above-the-ankle boots,
gloves, sunglasses, long pants and long sleeve jacket (weather permitting)

4:30 – 4:40 PM Break

4:40 – 5:30 PM Classification Meetings

6:00 PM Dinner on Your Own

Tuesday Morning April 28, 2009

6:45 – 7:50 AM Breakfast Buffet

8:10 – 9:00 AM **Fifth Workshop Sessions**

- Computer Tips and Tricks for MT Traffic Educators
Pam Dougherty, Great Falls Upstairs in Lewis/Clark Room
- Teen Driver Risks and Research Canadian Room
Suzanne Hill, CHOP
- How to Crash Proof Your Teens through Instruction Britain Room
Vanessa Weigand, Director of Virginia Driver Education Programs
- WTI Teen Driver Research – Nic Ward and Laura Stanley, Montana State
University, Western Transportation Institute (WTI) American Room

9:10 – 10:00 AM **Sixth Workshop Sessions**

- Puzzling Out the Standards Montana/Alberta Room
Mike Kincaid and Mike Lyons, Missoula
- Teen Driver Risks and Research Canadian Room
Suzanne Hill, CHOP
- How to Crash Proof Your Teens through Instruction Britain Room
Vanessa Weigand, Director of Virginia Driver Education Programs
- WTI Teen Driver Research – Nic Ward and Laura Stanley, Montana State
University, Western Transportation Institute (WTI) American Room

10:00 – 10:30 AM Break and Check Out

10:30 – 11:30 AM **Closing Keynote Session** International Rooms
Are We There Yet? Mrs. Montana - Shelley Emslie, Bigfork

11:40 AM – 12:30 PM Lunch Buffet and Closing Activities.

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